REMARKS

Applicants thanks the Examiner for the telephone interview conducted on April 18, 2007, in which possible claim amendments have been discussed. The pending claims have been amended accordingly.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the subject application as amended herein. This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed January 26, 2007. Claims 1-32 stand rejected. In this Amendment, claims 1, 4, 17, 20, 25, 28 and 30 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

35 U.S.C. §102

The Examiner rejected claims 1-32 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Bhatt, et al., (U.S. Patent Application No. 2004/0252121, hereinafter "Bhatt"). As discussed below, the pending claims are patentable over the above reference.

Bhatt provides a mechanism for integrating graphical charts into software applications. The mechanism generates a predefined chart having a category axis with category axis values stored in an electronic data source, and a data series with a value measure determined for each category axis value using data stored in the electronic data source.

Contrary to the presently claimed invention, Bhatt uses a standard database query to retrieve data from a database for use as the data series of the chart. The definition portion of the chart comes from a different source. As can be seen from Figure 12 and the corresponding description, chart definitions are received separately from the database query. In particular, the database query is identified at block 1202 and the chart definitions are received at blocks 1204 and 1206. Hence, Bhatt does not disclose having a database access query that combines an SQL clause with output related characteristics of an output data chart

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into a query statement, where the output related characteristics include the definition of the output data chart, as claimed in the presently claimed invention. These limitations of the present invention are included in the following language of claim 1:

> ... receiving a data access query that combines a structured query language (SQL) clause with output related characteristics of an output data chart into a query statement, the data access query being provided by a first user, the output related characteristics including a definition of the output data chart; and
> building the output data chart for a second user using the data access query..

Similar language is also included in independent claims 17, 25 and 30. Accordingly, the present invention as claimed in claims 1, 17, 25 and 30, and their corresponding dependent claims, is not anticipated by Bhatt.

Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

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DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATION

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Marina Portnova at (408) 720-8300.

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